

FIG. 1



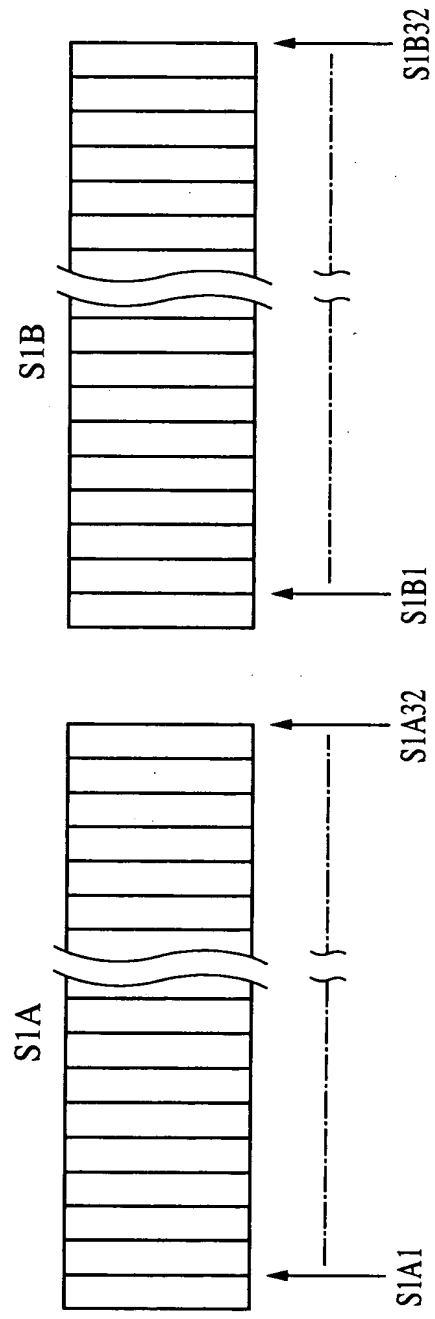


FIG. 3

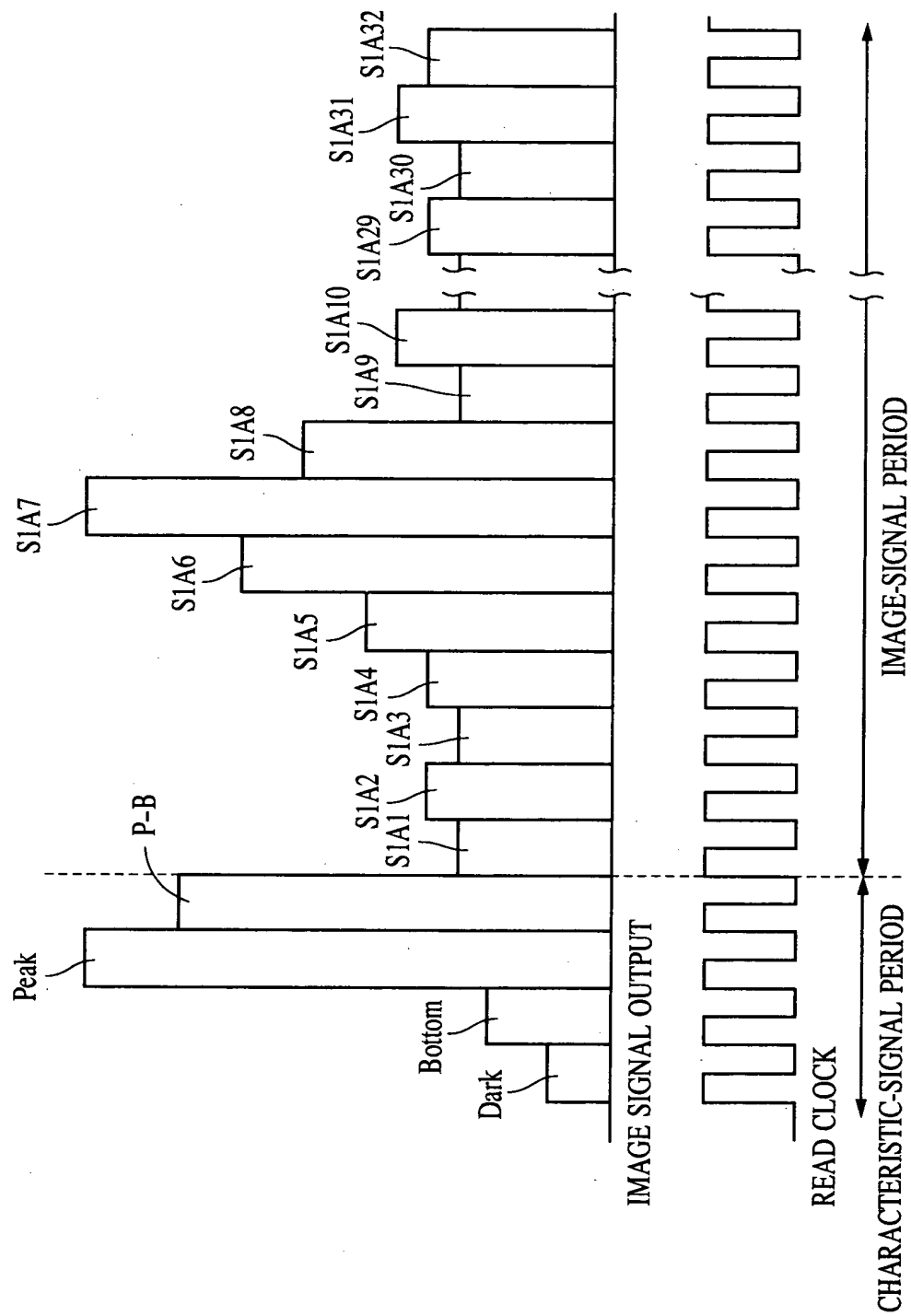


FIG. 4



FIG. 6A

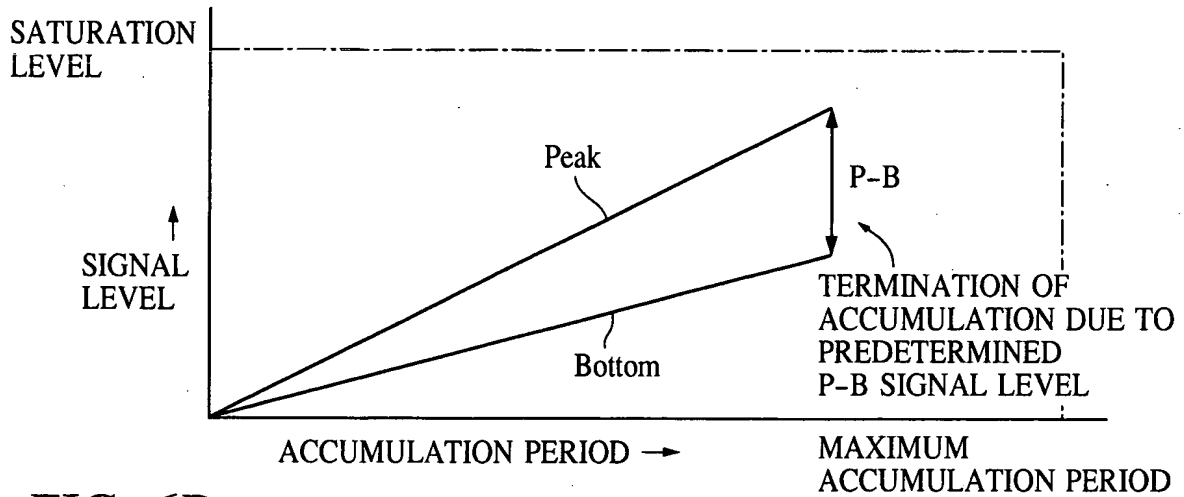


FIG. 6B

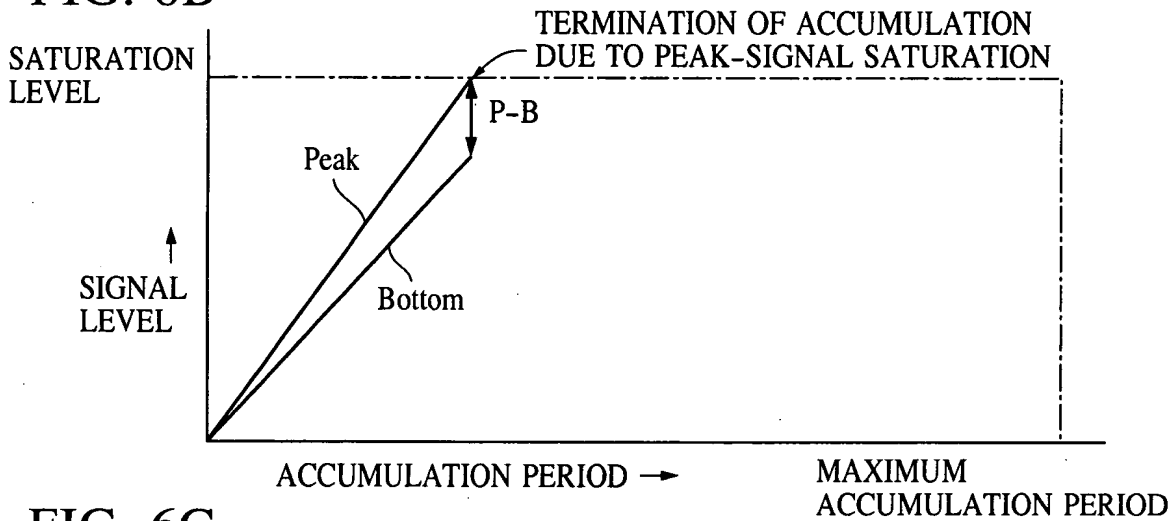
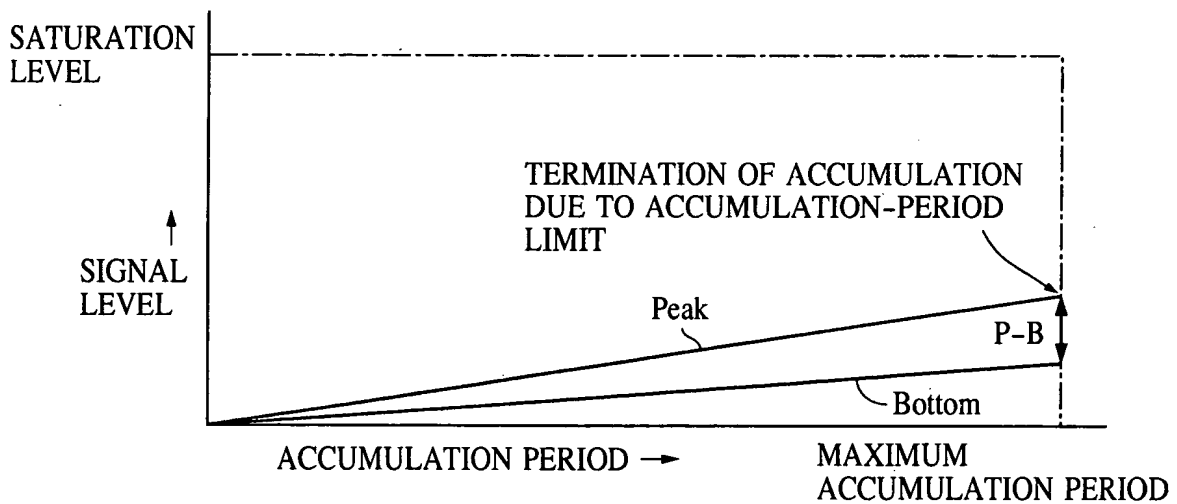


FIG. 6C



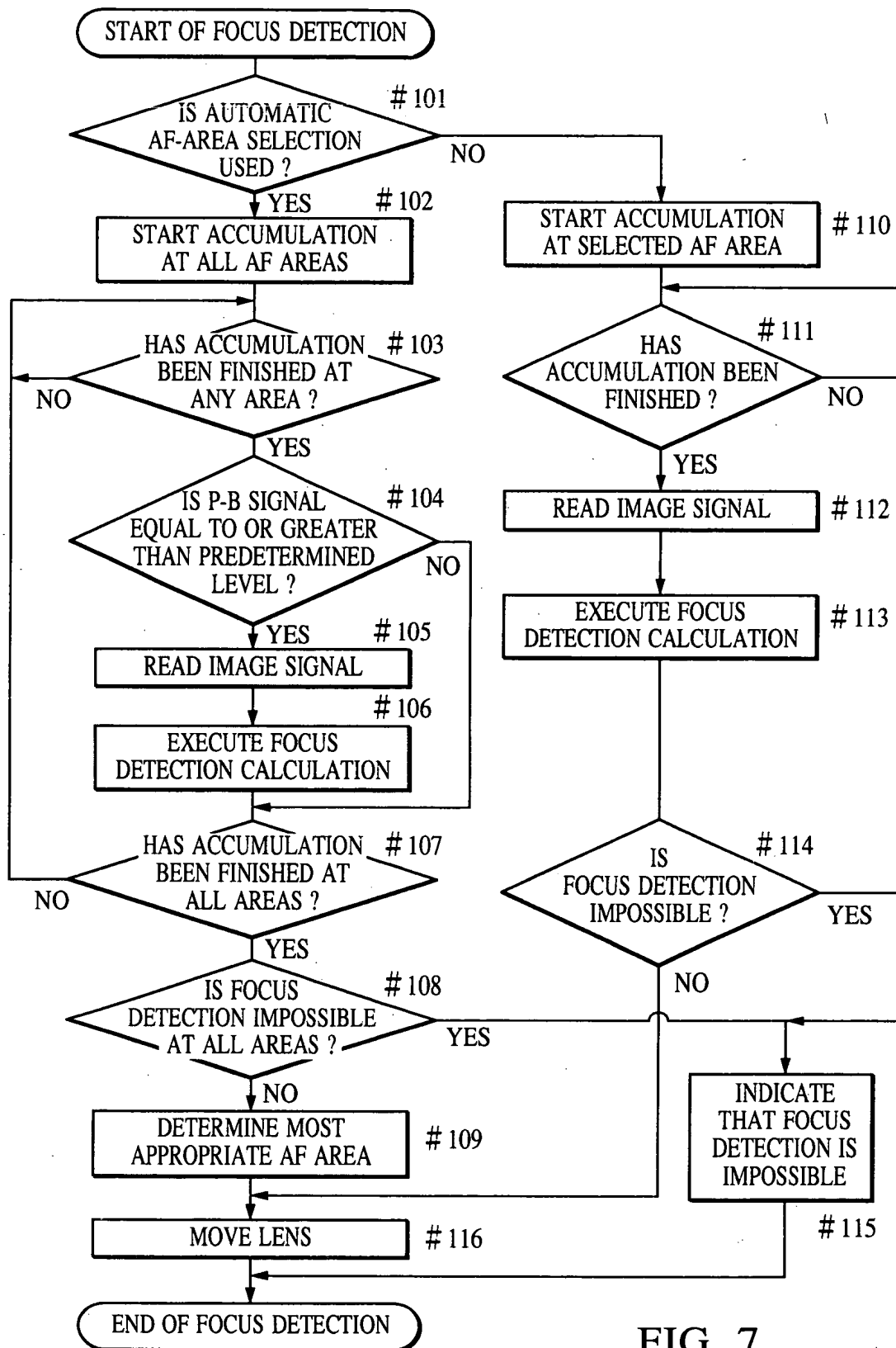


FIG. 7

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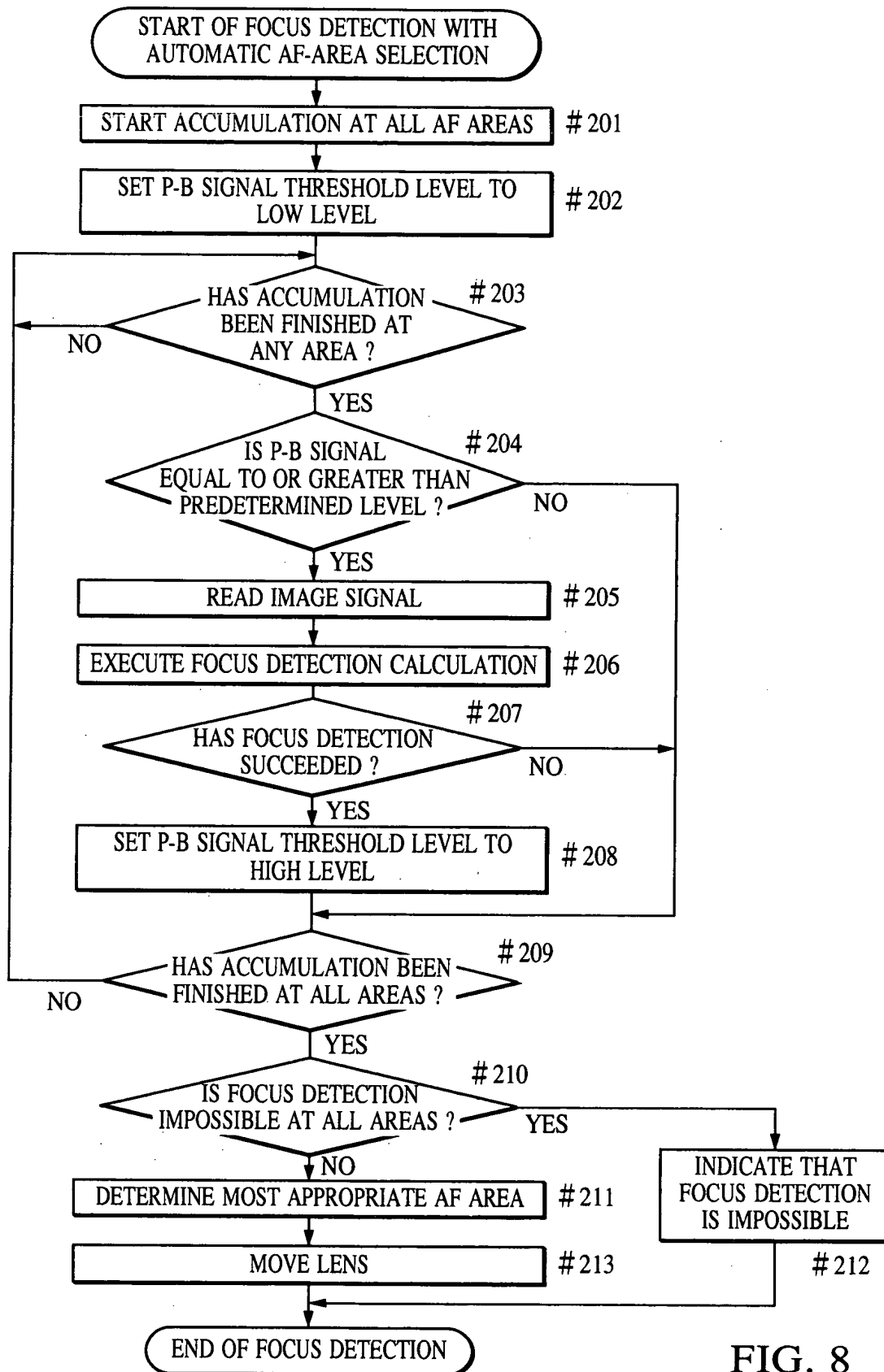


FIG. 8



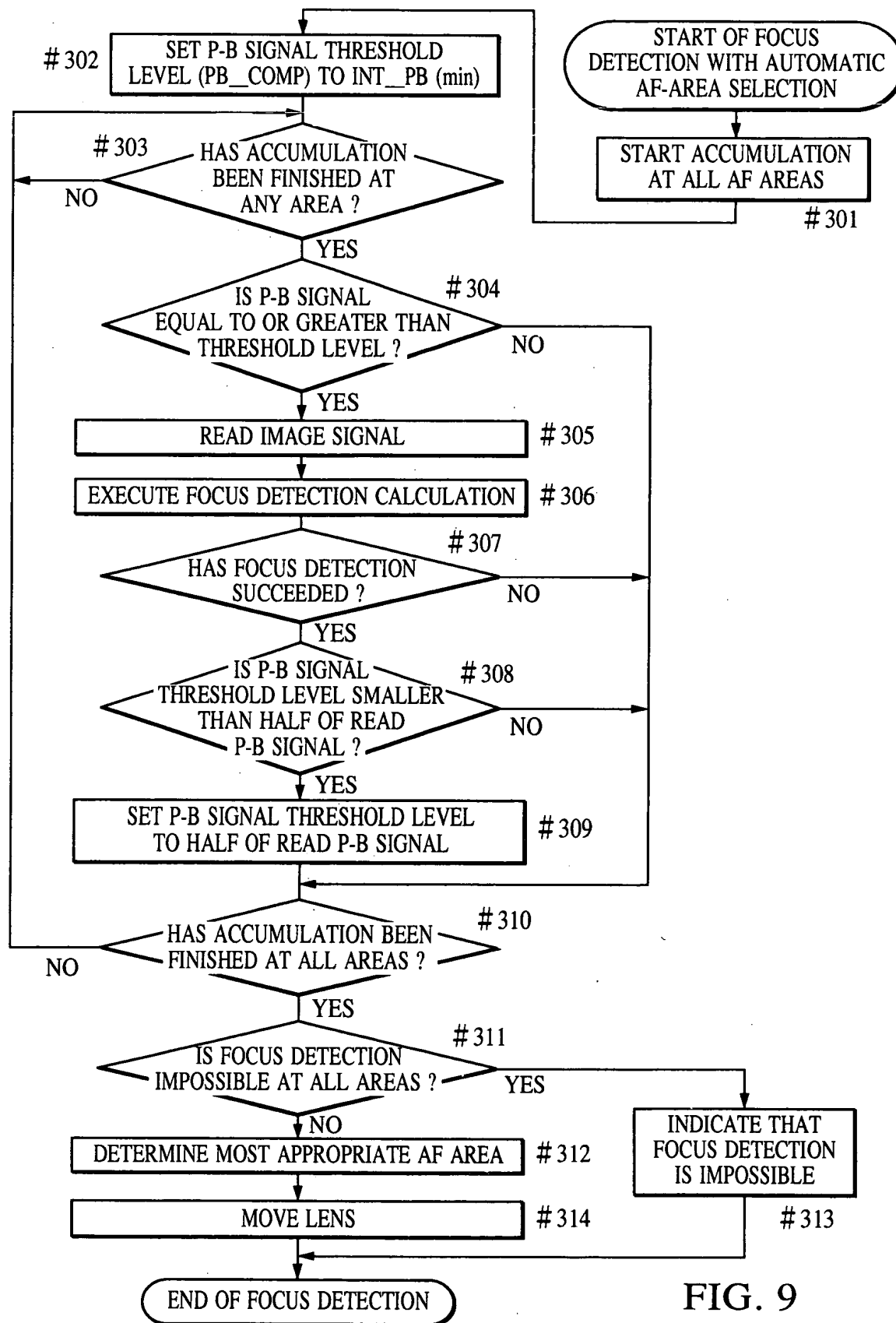


FIG. 9

START OF FOCUS DETECTION WITH  
AUTOMATIC AF-AREA SELECTION

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SET FOCUS-DETECTION SUCCESS FLAG TO 0 # 401
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START ACCUMULATION AT ALL AF AREAS # 402

HAS ACCUMULATION BEEN FINISHED AT ANY AREA ? # 403

IS MODE TOOL MODE ? YES # 404

IS THERE # 405  
ANY AREA WHERE FOCUS  
DETECTION HAS  
SUCCEEDED ?

IS P-B SIGNAL  
EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN  
PREDETERMINED LEVEL ?

# 406

NO

READ IMAGE SIGNAL	# 407
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EXECUTE FOCUS DETECTION CALCULATION # 408

# 409

HAS FOCUS DETECTION  
SUCCEEDED ?

NO

SET FOCUS-DETECTION SUCCESS FLAG TO 1 #410

HAS ACCUMULATION BEEN  
FINISHED AT ALL AREAS? #411 NO

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FIG. 10

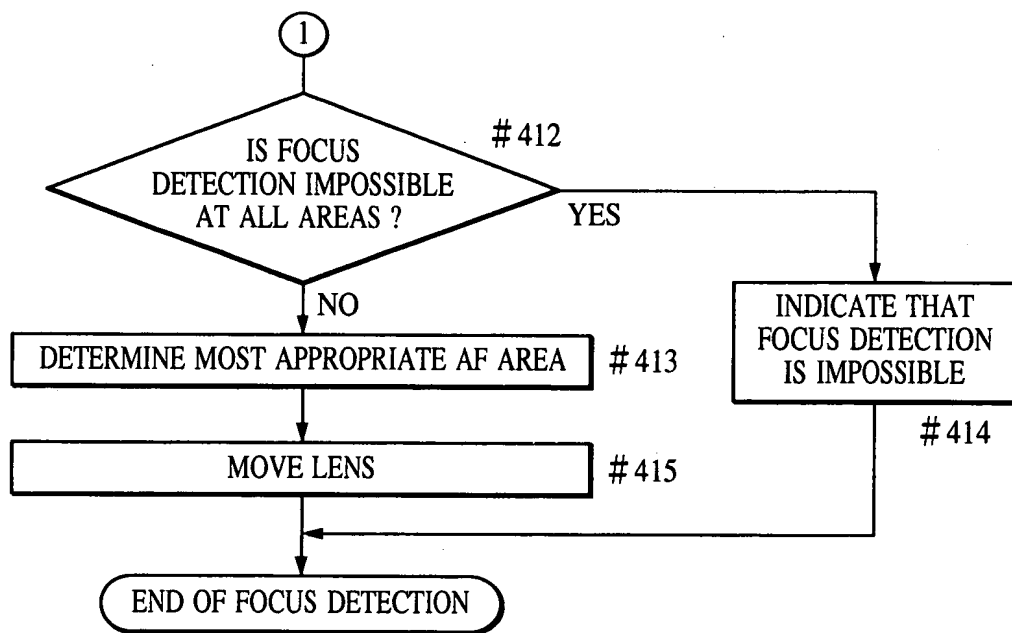


FIG. 11